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LETTER DATED 25 FEBRUARY 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT
REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft continued their violations of Iraqi airspace for purposes of reconnaissance and provocation during the period 17-23 February 1993.

17 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 28 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 5,000 to 11,500 metres, centred over Dohuk, Zakho, Amadiyah, Irbil and Mosul.

(b) Southern region: 50 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 7,000 to 9,000 metres, centred over Nasiriyah, Basra, Samawah, Qal'at Salih, Jalibah, Busayyah and Salman.

18 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 27 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 6,000 to 9,000 metres, centred over Zakho, Dohuk, Mosul, Tall Afar and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 66 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 7,000 to 9,000 metres, centred over Qurnah, Amarah, Nasiriyah, Qal'at Salih, Samawah, Salman, Artawi and Busayyah.

19 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 21 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 7,000 to 9,000 metres, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Zakho, Tall Afar and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 45 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 7,000 to 9,000 metres, centred over Nasiriyah, Samawah, Qal'at Salih, Qurnah, Jalibah, Salman and Busayyah.

20 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 30 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 6,500 to 8,000 metres, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Amadiyah and Zakho.

(b) Southern region: 69 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 6,000 to 9,000 metres, centred over Nasiriyah, Samawah, Salman, Qurnah, Amarah and Busayyah.

21 February 1993

(a) Northern region: no hostile aerial activity was recorded inside Iraqi airspace in the northern region on this day.

(b) Southern region: 36 sorties, flown at speeds of 720 to 800 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 7,000 to 9,000 metres, centred over Nasiriyah, Samawah, Khidr, Qurnah, Artawi, Jalibah, Salman and Busayyah.

22 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 36 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 3,500 to 10,500 metres, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Zakho, Ayn Zalah and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 38 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 7,000 to 9,000 metres, centred over Nasiriyah, Samawah, Amarah, Salman, Ushbayhah and Busayyah.

23 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 22 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 5,000 to 8,000 metres, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Zakho and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 58 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 6,500 to 8,000 metres, centred over Nasiriyah, Samawah, Salman, Qurnah, Shatrah and Busayyah.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nizar HAMDOON
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Permanent Representative
